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香港

PRICE \$2 PER MONTH.

Arrivals.

June 9, Yesso, British str., 559; J. E. Pur-
chard, Foochow, 6th June, Amoy, 7th;
and Swatow str., General—D. LAPRAIK
& Co.

June 9, AMOY, British str., 814, Drowes,
Shanghai 4th June, General—SIEMSEN
& Co.

June 9, MECCA, British str., 716; J. JOHNSON,
Saijon 4th June, Rice—HOKEE.

June 9, RICCA GENOA, British bark, 235; J.
CUMMINS, Bangkok 1st May, General—
CHINESE.

June 9, YOTTING, British str., 323; J. RID-
DEL, Swatow 8th June, General—KOK
ACHEONG.

June 9, CAP-SING-MOON, British bark, 456;
S. L. B. SORSEN, Bangkok 18th May,
General—E. S. BURROWS & Sons.

June 9, VOLGA, French steamer, 965; Nom-
don, Yokohama 2nd June, General—
MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

June 9, BUA CALO, Siamese bark, 837; E.
TANIS, Chulaburi (Gulf of Siam) May
22nd, Timber—CHINESE.

June 9, H.I.C.M. PENG-CHEH-HAI, Chinese
gunboat, 600, Palmer, from Canton and
Chung-chow.

June 9, SALIN, British bark, 723; J. DICK,
Bangkok 18th May, Rice and Wood—
CAPTAIN.

June 9, MARY ANN HOLMAN, British bark,
272; H. C. HOLMAN, Bangkok 15th May,
Rice—H. KLEE.

Clearances.

At THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE,
JUNE 9.
Ly-ee-moon, str., for Manila.
Eperia, str., for Saigon.
Aurora, for Foochow.
Carl Ritter, for Toulon.

Departures.

June 9, MONTEGO, for Whampoa.
June 9, EGRETA, str., for Saigon.
June 9, LY-EE-MOON, str., for Manila.
June 9, AMOY, str., for Canton.

PASSENGERS.
ARRIVED.
Per Yesso, str., from East Coast—
Mr. DUNIN, and 40 Chinese.
Per Egeria, str., from Shanghai—
55 Chinese.
Per Mecca, str., from Saigon—
40 Chinese.
Per Yotting, str., from Swatow—
56 Chinese.
Per Cap-sing-moon, from Bangkok—
5 Chinese.
Per Montego, str., from Yokohama—
For Hongkong—Alceas, Hacquim, Salas,
Tunaki, Ida, Robert Paul, F. E. Smith, Cor-
rada, Harborth, Ah-sung and Al-yat. For
Marseilles—Mr. and Mrs. Captain, child and
European maid, and Mr. Julius Bryner.

DEPARTED.

Per Ly-ee-moon, str., for Manila—
1 Cabin and 157 Chinese.

Per Egeria, str., for Saigon—
10 Chinese.

TO DEPART.

Per Carl Ritter, for Toulon—
10 Chinese.

REPORTS.

The British bark *Ricca Genoa* reports left
Bangkok on 14th May, and had light Southerly
winds and fine weather.

The Siamese bark *Bua Coco* reports left
Chulaburi (Gulf of Siam) May, and had light
Southerly winds and calms throughout
the passage.

The British steamship *Yotting* reports left
Swatow on 8th June, and had light variable
winds and hazy weather throughout. Left the
British Steamship *Condor* in port.

The British steamship *Mecca* reports left
Saigon on 4th June. Had fine weather through-
out. Passed two steamers, bound South, one
supposed to be the *Elepona*.

The British bark *Mary Ann Holman* reports
left Bangkok on 15th May, and had fine weather
with very light winds. On the 8th inst., winds
got strong squalls with thunder.

The British bark *Selina* reports left Bangkok
on 15th May. Had light winds throughout.
Spoke the ship *Surdic*, from London to Shang-
hai, 115 days out, lat. 11° 14' N. and long. 111°
E.

The British bark *Cap-sing-moon* reports left
Swatow on 15th May, and had fine South
winds down the Gulf of Siam, thence light
South and variable winds and fine weather
to arrival.

The French steamship *Volga* reports left
Yokohama on 2nd June, and had fine weather
of the Japanese Coast; then S.E. winds to the
China Coast. In the Formosa Channel much
rain and wind.

The British steamship *Amoy* reports left
Shanghai at midnight on the 4th June. Had
strong Southerly winds, hazy fine weather
to arrival outside the port, when got a squall
from the Westward. Arrived in port at 6 a.m.
on the 9th. Passed the steamship *Adelphi* on
the 5th at 3 p.m., off Tong-tung. The steamship
Amoy got a p.m. the same day. The French
steamship *Tropic* on the 9th at 6 a.m., off
Tong-tung, 24th of the 8th, of Bremer
Steamship Company, the steamship *Volga*, af-
fected by the steamship *Adelphi*, all
bound North.

The British steamship *Yesso* reports left
Foochow on 6th June, Amoy on the 7th, and
Swatow on the 8th. Experienced moderate S.W.
winds and squalls, with rain and
thunderstorms. Went to Ningpo, and then
H.M.S. *Volga*, *Adelphi*, *Thalia*, *Hornet*, and *Grander*,
steamships *Agamemnon*, *State* of Virginia,
Brassey Castle, and *Montgomeryshire*; sailing vessels *Thompson* and *Nyssa*. In
Amoy, H.M.M. gunboat *Ling-fay*, str. *Eman-
uel* and *Forrest*. In Swatow, U.S. corvette
Pacific and H.M.M. gunboat *Orion*. The
steamship *Yesso* got a p.m. on the 8th, and
arrived at Foochow at 10 p.m. on
the 9th instant. Left Foochow at 10 p.m. on
the 10th instant for London. Passed the steamship
Volga, off Foochow Point, bound North. Re-
ported a British gunboat of Nine Pins.

PROFOUND SHIPPING.
(From *Hedge & Co's Weekly Shipping Report*).
Pugoda Anchorage, 5th June.

ARRIVALS.

May 30th, str. Montgomeryshire from Hong-
kong, str. Kwangtung, from Hongkong; str.
H.M.M. gunboat Midge from Shanghai; H.M.M.
gunboat Grover from Amoy; J. Costa, str.
Drunken, from Shanghai; str. Amoy, and
str. Amoy, str. Amoy, owned by Amoy; str.
Amoy; str. J. H. Jensen from Swatow; H.M.S.
Talisman from Hongkong; str. str. str. str.
Statehouse from Shanghai; str. str. str. str.
Napoleon.

DEPARTURES.

May 26th, str. Ly-ee-moon for Amoy; 30th
str. Douglas for Hongkong; June 1st, str.
Kwangtung for Hongkong; 4th, str. Kronprin-
ze, bound for Bangkok.

ARRIVED SATURDAY.

J. M. ALMSTRONG,
At 12 noon,
Sundays Goods.

To be Let.

TO LET.
HOUSES—Nos. 2 and 3, on Morrison Hill,
No. 3, can be let furnished, or unfurnished.
Apply to TROS. G. GLOVER,
7, Queen's Road, Hongkong, 25th May, 1875. [Im 890]

TO LET.
NO. 2, WESTBURY VILLAS, Bonham
Road. Apply to G. FALCONER & Co.,
346—Hongkong, 2nd March, 1875.

TO LET.
HOME HOUSES ON PEDDAR'S HILL,
No. 4, SEYMOUR TERRACE.
Apply to DAVID SASQUON, SONS & Co.,
452—Hongkong, 22nd May, 1875.

TO LET.
With Immaculate Possession,
THE DOWNTOWN HOUSES, situated on L-
land Lot 169, Granville Street, lately
occupied by Messrs. E. SORELLESS & Co.,
consisting of DWELLING HOUSE, OFFICE,
and Four GODOWNS.

Also, THE DOWNTOWN HOUSES Nos. 8, 9,
and 10, Upper Mosque Terrace, and Water
lawn.

Apply to T. G. LINSTEAD,
252—Hongkong, 6th March, 1875.

TO LET.
With Possession on the 15th April.

THE HOUSE and PREMISES known as
"GRANGE-LACHIE," situated on the
Bonham Road, and now in the occupation of
E. JENSEN, Esq.

TO LET.
GOODSTABLING. Gas and Water laid on.
Apply to ED. SHARP & TOLLER,
Solicitors, 422—Hongkong, 15th March, 1875.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr.
THOMAS WALLACE in our Firm at
Yokohama, and elsewhere in Japan, ceased by
mutual consent on the 1st April, 1875.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

3m 773—Hongkong, 8th June, 1875.

NOTICE.

REMEDIOS & Co.,
4f 181—Hongkong, 22nd January, 1875.

TO LET.
THE whole, or part, of the Residence known
as "THE HERMITAGE."

Apply to T. ALGAR,
9, Hollywood Road,
ff 977—Hongkong, 23rd June, 1875.

TO LET.

THE DWELLING HOUSES and OFFICES,
No. 14, Queen's Road, lately in
the occupation of Messrs. RAMSAY & Co., which
have recently been thoroughly repaired. Po-
ssession may be had from May 1st.

With Immediate Possession.

PREMISES No. 44, Queen's Road, lately in
the occupation of Messrs. G. DUROU & Co.,
HOUSE No. 35, Wellington Street, through-
repaired, lately in the occupation of Messrs.
RAMSAY & Co.

DWELLING HOUSE and OFFICE No. 1.
Stirling Street, at present in the occupation of
Messrs. DEBBY & Co., possession from 1st
June next.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
ff 250—Hongkong, 18th May, 1875.

TO LET.

THE PREMISES at present occupied by
THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
Queen's Road.

Apply to G. FALCONER,
ff 1070—Hongkong, 7th July, 1874. [Im 841]

NOTICE.

WITH Possession on 1st April.

THE PREMISES now occupied by the Indo-
Chinese Steam Company, Limited, as
OFFICES, consisting of FOUR ROOMS on the
First Floor, situated in Bank Buildings. Rent
\$75 per month. Apply to T. ALGAR,
9, Hollywood Road,

ff 393—Hongkong, 10th March, 1875.

TO LET.

FIRST FLOOR GRANITE GODOWN
on the Praha, Wan-chai.

Apply to S. E. BURROWS & SONS,
453—Hongkong, 2nd March, 1875.

TO LET.

A HOUSE in Lower Mosque Terrace, from
1st June next. Rent \$40.

Apply to ED. SHARP & TOLLER,
Supreme Court House,
Hongkong, 28th April, 1875. [ff 638]

TO LET.

N. O. PECHILI TERRACE, Elgin Street,
Appl. to LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,
ff 578—Hongkong, 15th April, 1875.

NOTICE.

WE have established ourselves as MERCHANTS
AND COMMISSION AGENTS at Hongkong, and in Formosa at
Taikoo and Tsinwan, under the style of
TAYLOR & THOMPSON.

WILLIAM HENRY TAYLOR.

GEORGE HORSTIMER THOMPSON.

17th February, 1875.

THE Undersigned has been appointed
AGENT at this Port for Messrs. HENRY
S. KING & CO., of London, Office No. 6, Stanley
Street, Hongkong, 1st June, 1875.

W. H. NOBLEY.

ff 176—Hongkong, 24th October, 1874.

NOTICE.

PROFOUND SHIPPING.

Court of Directors:
Chairman—A. ANDREW, Esq.
Deputy Chairman—H. H. Hopkins, Esq.
F. J. Ord, Esq.
F. D. Hasson, Esq.
Chief Manager—
Hongkong—James Greig, Esq.
London—John Cameron, Esq.
London Bars—London and County Bar.
London—London and County Bar.

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HEAD OFFICE—Brisbane, and all
the PRINCIPAL TOWNS of the COLONY.

Agents in Hongkong and China.

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On Current Deposits at the rate of
1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

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For 6 months 2 per cent. per annum.

12 months 5 per cent. per annum.

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Credits—granted on approved Securities, and
every description of Banking and Exchange
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Draws granted on London, and the chief
commercial places in Europe, India, Australia,
America, and China.

JAMES GREIG, Chief Manager.

Office, 1, Queen's Road East,
Hongkong, 26th April, 1875.

NOTICE.

HONGKONG, CANPION, AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

LITERARY AND ART GOSSIP.
A library of 10,000 volumes has been provided for the new Roman Catholic University at Karlsruhe. A monumental window to the late Countess of Guildford has been erected in the north side of Winchester Cathedral.
Messrs. Black's edition of Poe's works is printed from type set up by young women in Messrs. Clark's establishment, Glasgow.
The death is announced of the famous traveller and artist, Jean Frédéric Waldeck, at the age of 100 years. He was born in 1766.

The Archbishop of Canterbury has conferred the degree of B.D. on the Rev. Charles Bullock, rector of St. Nicholas, Worcester, and editor of *Our Own Firsts*.

As a sole picture, the property of the late Mr. J. Young, a proof print, after Sir J. Reynolds' "The Duchess of Gordon," will be offered at auction on June 13th inst., at 2.30 p.m.

Mr. W. S. Gilbert, the author of "Shirley Hall Asylum," &c., has in hand a treatise on Disobedience, which he advocates as necessary to the interests of the Church of England itself.

Rector Valentini, of Stockholm, president of the Jewish community in that city, has been commissioned by the King of Sweden to interview the royal prince in the German language.

Two of the Sultan's sieged-camps, Nour

Bay and Achmet Bay, have presented to His Majesty a couple of ancient and valuable pictures which have been bequeathed in their families.

Sir T. Duffus Hardy, deputy keeper of public records, has despatched to Rome the Rev. Joseph Stephenon, who has been instructed to inquire upon the treasures in the museums of the Vatican.

Mr. Alderman A. B. Walker, the munificent donor of the permanent Art Gallery to Liverpool, has expressed his earnest wish that the Council will abandon their intention of erecting a statue in his honour.

The Bristol Times prints the following paragraph from Archdeacon Denison's charge delivered on the 27th April at Tavistock:—"There is already among us for a second Reformation, and I do not doubt that it will be effected partly from an unanswering and not very intelligent sense of what is called 'Ritualism of High Churchmen' as being in effect more or less concealed Romanism, and partly from the growth of the anti-slavery movement, which tends to unite us in one cause."

At Cardinal Manning's first Reception, at his house, Westminster, there were displayed on the central table drawings and elevations of the Romish Catholic Cathedral that is to be built on the site already purchased near Victoria-street.

The centenary of the birth of Leyden, the poet and Oriental scholar, and the friend of Scott, falls on the 1st of September next; and the Border Counties Association are to celebrate the event by holding a festive meeting at Hawick.

M. Godecharle, son of the Belgian sculptor, has just sold and left the sum of \$60,000 for the relief of Belgium.

Dr. Hatchell, of Glasgow, has intrusted to Mr. Macmillan of Glasgow for publication, the result of his researches into the history of Ossian. It is stated that the work will add several hundred years to the prehistoric annals of Scotland, Ireland, and Denmark.

Agil, R.A., who died on the 22nd March, at his residence in Blenheim-square, London, at the age of 73, had made an Academy in the year 1820, and a number of the Dutch Academy in 1848. He painted most of the pictures of his period.

The statue of St. John the Baptist at Pisa, which we (*the Athenaeum*) mentioned last January, was formerly ascribed to Donatello, and has lately been altered to be by Michael Angelo, who has now pronounced it a copy of Italian masters, while the work in question, which cost £100, will be divided into prizes to be given yearly to the best aquarists.

The Council of the Royal Irish Academy are prepared to offer two premiums of £25 each for the best reports or essays on the present state of the Irish language and literature, written and unwritten, in the provinces of Ulster and Leinster.

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It is announced that a new English periodical is about to be established in Germany, to be named after its author, Dr. F. Prellwitz. It will be brought out at Stuttgart at intervals of three weeks. It is understood that the magazine will refer mainly to literary subjects. Its title is *Haberg's Illustrated Magazin*.

A lady-novelist, Vienna-named Madame Maria Elin, author of "Maximilia and Isolde," and others, has just died from wounds inflicted by a man in the Schleswig-Holstein chancery of mental derangement. She was only twenty-six years of age, and was much esteemed.

The death is announced of Mr. H. W. Pickard.

Professor Duhau's paper on the quæstus and folio editions of "King Lear" will appear in English in the New Shakespeare Society's Transactions at the same time as it does in German, in the German Shakespeare Society's Jahrbuch.

The paper has, says the *Academy*, been translated by Miss Eva Gordon, of Pixham.

The Academy says Messrs. Sampson Low & Co. have in the press a translation of a work on photography, giving a history of the art and a description of the various mechanical processes which are based upon it. The original is from the pen of M. Gaston Tessierand, who so nearly lost his life in the late parlous balloon ascent.

Mr. Thorncroft is the sculptor of the elaborate fountain in Hamilton place, London; the bequest of the late Mrs. Brown. White marble, polished granite, and bronze are very skilfully and effectively combined; the chief figures are those of Tragedy, Comedy, and History; above them Chaucer, Shakespeare, and Milton; and, over all, the figure of Faust.—*Franziska*.

The royal gondola, prepared for the reception of the Emperor of Austria and the King of Italy, was designed by Cavalier G. A. Buffo, of the Royal Palace at Venice. The two royal shell-shaped seats of dark blue satin and silver were surmounted by a canopy, on which was the crown and shield of Savoy, with recumbent Naiads. The chamber was carpeted with white, and Venice glass was used instead of black wood. The gondoliers were artistically costumed.

A portrait of Lord Napier and Egerton in his Peer's robes was received at Madras recently by the steamer *Duke of Buccleugh* from London, and will be put up in the banqueting hall in a day or two. The portrait, which is considered a very good one, was purchased by public subscription, and is said to have cost about £1,500. It is a life-size portrait by Mr. Lowe, of Liverpool, and will probably be sent up next year to St. Osyth's Hospital, which graces the walls of the banqueting hall.—*Telegraph Standard*.

The Athenaeum says:—An important discovery of old official records has been made at the India Office. While the Museum was being transferred to South Kensington, a large number of documents turned up which were believed to be of considerable value relating to the affairs of the East India Company in Hindostan between the reigns of James I. and George II. It is supposed that among the documents, which are numerous, several important fac-similes, or even originals, of treaties with the principal Hindostani mediæval dynasties of the time will be found. This will afford a good deal of information about the historical entanglements of the period.

The *Athenaeum* says:—The story of the wonderful child painter, Frédéric van der Kerkhove, whose portrait is here given, has been the talk of Brussels for some months past, has turned out to be a complete deception. An inquiry has been made into the whole affair, and it has been found that the portrait was painted by a man named Jules Vermeulen, who was a native of Ghent, and not of the poor child, who does not seem to have exhibited any remarkable artistic talent during his short life. Mr. van der Kerkhove has even vented

as to whether the State a certain number of the paintings attributed to his son. A committee of enquiry has been appointed to inquire into the facts, and the inquiry above mentioned has been opened between the Belgian Minister of the Interior and the police.

The Belgian Minister of the Interior begged Mr. van der Kerkhove to be so kind as to withdraw his gift. The paintings in question are now being exhibited at Ghent, where they create much the same sensation as they did at Antwerp and Brussels. To the French journal *L'Art* they chiefly belong the merit of having them

so well executed. The *Bruxelles Journal des Beaux-Arts* has maintained the integrity of the story, and has entered on a long correspondence on the subject.

BELGIAN ADVERTISEMENTS.

"A portrait of ripe age, elegantly dressed, dignified, of good family, carefully educated, wishes to marry an honourable gentleman from forty-five to fifty years old, possessed of fortune or position. In exchange, he will receive affectionate care. Write to Poste Restante, Brussels, initials N. O." So runs an advertisement in a recent number of the *Belgian Belge*, which may at least be allowed to stand as a model of propriety. There is indeed a wonderful number of Belgian announcements of this nature, which by the way, are a regular feature in the journalism of that little kingdom. Here is another from the same paper:—"A free-thinker, twenty-seven years of age, a widower, with a child four years old, of independent position, brilliant and upright, desires to wed a young woman on unreserved terms of some slight fortune, sharing his philosophical convictions, and finding herself in the same condition. Absolute discretion will be observed on the word of honor of the advertiser. Write to C. F. de: The same-touthing confidence in the guilelessness of human nature is exhibited in the notice to be found in another, that the fortunet may be limited to three months. Report of his operation at Monaco, which is measured of success, the sum of 120,000 francs. Monthly profit, 300,000 francs. Capital guaranteed. Write to M. & Co." Such a bat is not often met with. For the rest, Belgian and English advertisements leave much in common. "Flûtes Holroyne" occupy an honourable position in the pages of the *Independent*, and the like, though not quite on the level of their British brethren. Of course, the art must be formidable rivals in the sphere of native productions of a similarly laudic character.—*Wall Mail Gazette*.

For Sale.

T H O M P S O N & H I N D

INSTITUTE INSPECTION OF THESE NEW SPRING AND SUMMER GOODS.

Ladies' TRIMMED HATS AND BONNETS.

Ladies' STRAW and CHIP HATS and BONNETS.

New Shapes in Baby's and Children's SUN HATS.

Boys' and Girls' SAILOR and YACHTING HATS.

New STRIPED and CHECK GREEN-

DINES for DRESSES.

PLAIN WHITE BATISTES and WHITE STRIPED DITTO.

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Pieces of HAIR for Weaving in Present Style.

LET GROSSES, BRADELETS, NECK-

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Ladies' and Children's UNDERCLOTHING.

Gentlemen's FEAT-HATS, SHIRTS,

COLLARS, SCARFS, CRAVATE, TIES,

and UNDERCLOTHING.

The India GAUZE UNDERWEAR, to take

of like a Coat, as so not to tear.

33, QUEEN'S ROAD,

HONGKONG.

660 Hongkong, 1st May, 1875.

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W I L D I N G;

C O M M E R C I E;

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ESTABLISHMENT, 342 per Case of 50 Bottles. Apply to

E D . C H A S T E L,

17, Wyndham Street,

1174 Hongkong, 14th May, 1875.

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S U P E R I O R P O R T W I N E .

T I N T O;

M O S C O V I T E L ,

S H E R R AY (D Y)

M A L A C A ,

in Quarter Casks, and

B O R D E A U X , in Casks.

Apply to REMEDIOS & Co.

1160 Hongkong, 20th April, 1875.

FOR SALE.

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Union Assurance Society of Canton, new shares \$50 per share premium.

China Traders' Insurance Company's Shares—\$80 per share.

China and Japan Marine Insurance—\$100 per share.

Chinese Insurance Company—\$100 per share.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company's Shares—\$25 per share.

Other Chinese Insurance Company's Shares—\$142 per share.

Victoria Fire Insurance Company's Shares—\$160 per share.

Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company's Shares—50 per cent. discount.

Hongkong Canton and Macao Steamboat Co.'s Shares—Part nominal.

Shanghai Great Navigation Company—\$10 per share.

Hongkong Gas Company's Shares—\$75 per share.

Hongkong Hotel Company's Shares—\$75 per cent. discount.

SALES ON JUNE 9TH, 1875.

As reported by Chinese.

Comptor, 20 tons, at \$150, by Yau-wo-loong to the British Consul.

Fishman, 2 casks, at \$120, by Kwong-wing-shing to travelling trader.

Lotus Nut, 200 bags, at \$4.00, by Kwong-wing-shing to travelling trader.

Brown Sugar, 300 bags, at \$3.00, by Kwong-wing-shing to local trader.

Vermeulen, 20 bags, at \$7.00, by Cheu-fong to travelling trader.

Black Pepper, 300 bags, at \$9.70, by Yau-wo-loong to the British Consul.

Green Peas, 200 bags, at \$2.35, by Wo-shun to the British Consul.

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Extracts.

SHADOWS.
Sometimes I smile, sometimes I sigh,
But mostly sorrow fills my heart;
The present and the future lie,
Like two grim shadows, just apart—
I change as often as the clouds,
That on a gusty morning rise
To cold and sun, and when it grows,
To bar and blind the faithful laws.
Why bring me thoughts in baleful forms
To hasten me to death or tears?
Even as the anxious winter comes,
That sol the pangs away in showers.
I cannot smile as others smile,
Nor yet remember half so long;
For sorrow fills me even while
I seem to sing a joyous song.
The knowledge that my youth has gone
Brings over dully on the mind;
I have no such complete repose
As others have, but still find
A long in vain for peace or rest;
And cannot end each sad scene
Like some poor bird that flies its nest.
All vacant as its young have been!
Pain waits on pleasure everywhere,
To bleach its blith, to dim its light—
To mock it when its dreams are over.
When all its charms have taken flight.
And then it comes to me again,
Or long I groan, when we're off—
When summer hours have taken wing,
The flowers must perish in the coil.
St. James's Magazine.

THE YANKEE SPINSTER IN PARIS.
The funniest person I have seen for a long time was a chippy little old maid from Connecticut, who, hearing me speak English, introduced herself to me at the salon, a few days ago. She had come over to Europe all alone, she told me, and what she had come for was a marvel to me, for a more ignorant little personna it has seldom been my lot to encounter, and whatever induced her to come so far to see a country of which she had heard so little, was a perfect riddle. She knew nothing of history, had never even heard of such a place as Versailles, and as to her pictures, her delight at finding somebody who would tell her what they were all about was extreme. But when I attempted to explain their subjects to her, I found the task one of considerable difficulty, for she knew nothing about the subjects themselves. She never had "heard tell" of such a woman as Cleopatra, the mythological subjects puzzled her dreadfully, the historical ones were no better, and only the Scriptural ones seemed to awaken some familiar idea in her mind. At last we came to Bertrand's lovely picture of Romeo and Juliet. "Are they dead, or are they asleep, and where are they?" she asked all in a breath.

I informed her that the picture represented Romeo and Juliet lying dead before the gate of Julie's tomb—"Ah!—ah!" she ejaculated, backing off to take a latter view of the figures. Then, after a long scrutiny, she turned to me again. "French people, weren't they?" she asked. I could bear no more; I fled precipitately in the opposite direction, and astonished the sombre guardian of the architectural department by indulging in wild shrieks of laughter before a huge drawing of a Grecian temple.—*Lucy H. Hooper, in Philadelphia Press.*

WHAT BEFEL A MODEST YOUTH IN A CAR.

An exceedingly modest young man, dressed in a new suit of broadcloth, entered an Olive-street car the other day, and blushingly took a seat by the side of a nurse with a baby in her arms. The mother of the babe, a young woman of vivacious disposition, and with visual orbs somewhat marred by strabismus,

had a seat on the opposite side of the car, where she could gaze fondly upon her offspring, and mark the play of the cherub countenance. The "chick-a-biddy" was exhilarated by the gentle rocking of the bob-tail, and looked at its mother and crowd, and thrust its feet into its mouth. The young mother responded by a tender glance at the "sugar plumb," but to the bashful young man it seemed that her eyes were fixed directly upon him, and he blushed scarlet and wiped his face with his handkerchief. "It's fond of its new cosy," exclaimed the tender parent, unconscious of any one present except her child. The face was aglow with intense affection, and her eyes lighted up with the fire of love and devotion; but, alas, they were looking in the wrong direction, and beamed upon the modest young man, as he thought, with too much freedom. He wriggled in his seat, and tried to turn away, but another lady was at his left, and he could not avoid the gaze of the admiring woman "opposite." "It will be a little man by-and-by, and have a nice moustache when it gets older, and it will go to see the girls and flirt with them—won't you, darling?" And the eyes blazed and burned, and seemed to devour the face of the young man with increasing appetite. "Does it want a stick of candy?" Well, its muzzel'll get it some when she gets out at the corner; so don't cry, my little darling." The young man was now in a high perspiration, and being unable to stand it any longer, seized the strap, and giving the bell a dozen vigorous jerks, rushed frantically from the car. He told the first acquaintance he met that a beautiful girl had made love to him in the car, and that she was so "far gone" that she declared her passion in a street car. *St. Louis Democrat.*

POTTINGER'S EXPLOITS AT HERAT.
Another exploit is that which still makes Major Eldred Pottinger remembered as the Defender of Herat. In 1837 the relations between India and Persia were of such a nature that it became the duty of the English Government in the East to seek correct information as to the state of affairs in Afghanistan. Eldred Pottinger, then a young officer of Artillery in the Indian Army, had lately received an appointment in the Political Department as assistant to his uncle, Sir Henry Pottinger, who at the time represented British interests in Scinde and Beloochistan; and when the Government began to look out for some one who would undertake the adventurous and dangerous task of penetrating Afghanistan, Eldred Pottinger volunteered. He started from Cutch in the disguise of a horse-dealer, and after innumerable adventures, varied by one or two impositions, for he seems not to have been so fortunate as Mr. Dalrymple in Central Arabia—he arrived at Herat on the 18th of August, 1837. The very next month, the Shah of Persia, influenced by Russia, began preparations for an advance on Herat. Now Pottinger knew that if Herat should fall before the Shah, British interests in Afghanistan would be most seriously affected. He was an officer of Artillery; he understood the construction and the use of fortifications; and he believed that he could be of service in the defence of Herat. But then, how was a humble horse-dealer to find admission into the military councils of the Afghan leaders? It was a crisis. He determined, at all risks, to throw off his disguise. Contriving by some means to obtain an audience of the Prince, Shah Khan, and his Viceroy, Yar Muhammad, the English officer revealed to them his real identity. The two great men of Herat were quite enough, with a sign threatening treason, to see the advantage of having such advice. The slope began. For nine weary months he dragged on, and during those nine months he besieged were directed by the skill, as in the last Persian onslaught, their city was saved by the gallantry, of the young English artilleryman. After the siege had been a special mission, and Pottinger went to meet the Governor-General in the Upper Provinces.—From "Men whom India has made," by J. H. Higginbotham, F.R.A.S.

EXTENAL SHOW.

How often do we try, and persevere in trying, to make a sort of neat show of outer good qualities, without anything within to correspond, just like children, who plant blossoms without any roots in the ground to make a pretty show for the hour! We find fault in our lives, and we cut off the weed, but we do not root it up; we find something wanting in ourselves, and we supply it, not by sowing the divine seed of heavenly principles, but by copying the deeds that the principle ought to produce.

MR. BRIGHT AND MR. GLADSTONE.

To the right of Mr. Lowe I see a figure which, foreshortened from my point of view, is chiefly distinguishable by a hat and pair of boots. Without there being an absolute Quaker fashion about the cut of the hat or garments, there is a breadth about the former and a largeness about the latter suggestive of Quaker associations. Perhaps it is my idea were mercilessly analyzed it would appear that it has its growth in the knowledge that I am looking down on Mr. Bright, and that I know Mr. Bright is of Quaker parentage. But I am jotting down my impressions as I receive them. Mr. Bright does not address the House to-night, but he has made one or two short speeches this session, and Chiltern, who has heard them, speaks quite sorrowfully of the evidence they give of failing physical power. The orator who once used to hold the House in hand the very bones of the chariot of the sun, now stands before it on rare occasions with a manner more nervous than that in which some new members make their maiden speech. The bell-like tones of his voice are heard no more; he hesitates in choosing words, is not sure of the sequence of his phrases, and resumes his seat with evident gratefulness for the renewed rest. Chiltern adds that much of this nervousness is probably owing to a sensibility of the expectation which his rising arises in the House; and a knowledge that he is not about to make the "great speech" which has been looked for ever since he returned to his old place. But at least the matchless oratory of John Bright is already a tradition in the House of Commons, and it is but the ghost of the famous Tribune who now nightly haunts the scene of his former glories. Mr. Gladstone was sitting next to Mr. Bright, in what the always smiling and obliging attendant tells me is a favourite attitude with him. His legs were stretched out, his hands loosely clasped before him, and his head thrown back, resting on the cushion at the back of the seat, so that the soft light from the illuminated roof shone full on his upturned face. It is a beautiful face, soft as a woman's, very pale and worn, with furrowed lines that tell of labour done and sorrow lived through. Here again I am conscious of the possibility of my impressions being moulded by my knowledge of facts; but I fancy I see a great alteration since last I looked on Mr. Gladstone's face, now two years ago.

It was far away from here, in a big wooden building in a North Wales town. He was on a platform surrounded by grotesque men in blue gowns and caps, which marked high rank in Celtic bardship. On visits to all other parts, the brokerage will be ten per cent. (10%) only.

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